

## VOLUME II

## FROM COLORADO.

Were it not for your exc of we would know but little of the news our old country and home. Out of the many that greet us weekly, no one is so heartily welcomed or thoroughly read as Sometimes the mails are irreguyour's lar and we do not get it for ten or twelve days after its issue, (sometimes not at all) then it is we feel restless, and it is imsmible for us to have the patience of Job, for we know HE never took a weekly home paper, and what is a few little boils to an eagerly-sought-for home paper r puts in an appearance? Boils are things that any one can have if tive will be the he wishes, (and he always wishes them on some other part) but papers—good postars and strippers, Messrs. Editors,—are not to be had the walls of for the mere wanting. It has been a goodly number of months since we last wrote you, and

were it not that we promised when starting West to write you once in a splendor, excelling even the Ty while, we would not undertake to Alps, and of the beautiful valley be would not undertake to while, we would not undertake to squeeze dull brains to-day. However, we presume that anything from the "Western wilds," will be partially read, at least, through more curiosity, if noth-A little over three months ago we left

Pueblo in a pleasure jaunt-seeking a cooler atmosphere ame higher and a "snow-clad Rockies," About the the time of our departure there was a considerable mining excitement over rich silver lodes that had just been "struck," about sixty miles distant on a mountain stream called the Hardscrabble. Thisking it best to continue business with pleasure, as we were bent mountain-ward any way, we started not the over-"strike." We arrived at the mining camp about the 15th of July, which we found delightfully situated and bearing Rosits, (Little the eruphonious name, Rose) which one of the first discoverers had named in honor of a dark eyed Se orita who had frequently cast loving glauces from under her drooping lashes, and called him softly Querido amingo mio. We feli in love with the place at once, and concluded to put down stakes, nd make our everlasting fortune here or "spile a horn.

If any one doubts that we have not the most beautiful surroundings in the world, let them come and see. Rosita is about sixty or sixty-five niles from Pueblo, Southwesterly. It is

situated on a high plateau between the Siera Madre and the Greenborn ranges of mountains—the former being on the South and West and the latter being on (Mother mountains), is certainly grandest in the Rocky Mountains. is certainly the

evated plateau, about ninety feet above tide, is cut through in numerous places by long gulches interspersed with pine, fir, quaking sep and cedar, which is an fir, quaking sep an egreeable feature and re and leads quite a charm

West has b from its vast people and the itur ad asti The Rocky

civilization plains, struck ti the time rolled with renewed er surmountable and s Overcoming all ob goal at last and ech of great joy. California

ountains in civili Her restle the story, Rocky Mos from undeveloped rich adventure has they have begun meet their Atlantic broth way ground-to backbone of the Contin ribs unite them togeth Here will be the last for mast

when this is overcome will not permit them to stop ext cry will be, "On to dontezumas!" Two rail Montezumas!" railr completed into Mexico from five years. The whistle of the have if tive will be the Not far in the fu stars and stripes will float prout the walls of the Mexican Mark our prediction. But we are wandering. speaking of the mountains that lo before us in such infinite grandu-

> with two crystalline streams, like a threads, wending through it. Thi ley is about thirty miles in lengt from six to fifteen in width, and wa merly, say our geological friends, a lake, fed by the meltings snow of range above and by streams and riv which formerly sent their seethi frothing mast of waters through the awful canons that you see outlined h It is now settled pretty w and there. It is now settled ; by stock men who have va as fine cattle as can be seen anywhe The soil is very rich, and grass g luxriantly. It is not adapted to but the smaller grains grow well, ground is apparently level as far as t eye can reach. No timber except on t streams and near the mountain sides. On the third of July we through it and remained one night, pr pari'ory to our ascent of the fourt

On the fourth we anticipated fine spo shooting chamics and elk, but no su good luck, it was as our mountain frie asserted, "all bar." You have alreapublished (I believe) an account of the famous "bar" bunt, taken from the P eblo People, so Pil not enter into detail Sufice it to say we had a thrilling adve ture, and came off victors, bearing two es, we got while climbing trees, did n't get to see the Pople's ac but presume it was nearly correct. It was a disastrous hunt, take it all in all; and many us of came home having on South and West and the latter being on poor apologies for pants. It was then the East nearly surrounding it. The that one of our heroes pathetically exview from here of the Siera Madre claimed, as he put his hand behind him, "By George, I wish I was married, or

darning needle, I don't care which."

He had our sympathy for we knew he felt what he said.

When we first came out her